*Appointments of clerks made by the Public Service Commissioner in certain Departments.*

58. *Mr. T. Muhammed Ismail (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement by caste of appointments made by the Public Service Commissioner, in the clerical grade in each of the offices mentioned below :—

(*a*) Secretariat ;
(*b*) Financial Secretary's Office ;
(*c*) Account Office ; and
(*d*) Public Service Commissioner's Office ;

**Dr. G. D. Nokes:** A *statement by community of recruiments advised by the Public Service Commissioner is laid on the table.

*Transfer of Mr. Ramachandra Rao and Rao Bahadur Rengaswami Aiyar.*

59. *Mr. N. V. Chacko: Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) why Rao Bahadur A. Rengaswami Aiyar Avl., was transferred from the post of Financial Secretary to Government to that of the Account Officer ; and

(*b*) why Mr. M. Ramachandra Rao was transferred from the Account Department to the post of the Financial Secretary?

**Mr. K. J. Cheriyan** (*Ag. Financial Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) and (*b*). The transfer of Rao Bahadur A. Rengaswami Aiyar, B. A., Financial Secretary to Government as Account Officer was ordered with a view to enable his services being utilised for an examination and modernization, if necessary, of the accounts department also. The transfer was suggested by a non-official member of the Sri Chitra State Council at a previous Session.

**Mr. N. V. Chacko:** May I know whether there is any difference in position or status between the Financial Secretary and the Account Officer ?

**Mr. K. J. Cheriyan :** Yes. There is.

**Mr. N. V. Chacko:** May I know who is the senior Officer?

**Mr. K. J. Cheriyan :** The Financial Secretary, Sir.

*Assault on Mr. K. P. Nilakanta Pillai.*

60. *Mr. N V. Chacko : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether Mr. K. P. Nilakanta Pillai B. A., B. L., Ex-Member, Legislative Assembly, has been assaulted in the morning of the 17th June 1938 at Trivandrum ; and

(*b*) whether they are making any enquiry into it ?

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**Mr. M. Ramachandra Rao** (*Ag. Commissioner of Police*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

**Mr. N. V. Chacko:** May I know whether Mr. K. P. Nilakanta Pillai is not the Joint Secretary of the Travancore State Congress?

**Mr. M. Ramachandra Rao:** May be, I do not know.

**President:** Order, order. How is it relevent to this matter?

**Mr. N. V. Chacko:** For the identification of the person, Sir.

**President:** He is identified only as an Ex-member of the Legislative Assembly.

**Mr. Nedumangad R. Kesavan Nair:** May I know to which Police Station he presented himself soon after the incident?

**Mr. M. Ramachandra Rao:** The Cantonment Police Station.

**Mr. Nedumangad R. Kesavan Nair:** May I know the name of the Police Inspector who was in charge of the Station at that time?

**Mr. M. Ramachandra Rao:** Mr. Lattiff.

**Mr. Nedumangad R. Kesavan Nair:** May I know whether there were assaults on other members of the State Congress?

**Mr. M. Ramachandra Rao:** Sir, I claim notice.

**Mr. Nedumangad R. Kesavan Nair:** May I know whether cases of burglary in the house of State congress members were reported at this time?

**Mr. M. Ramachandra Rao:** I claim notice.

**Mr. Nedumangad R. Kesavan Nair:** May I know whether Mr. Lattiff is now on leave?

**Mr. M. Ramachandra Rao:** Yes.

**Mr. Nedumangad R. Kesavan Nair:** May I know whether he took leave of his own accord or under instructions?

**Mr. M. Ramachandra Rao:** Of his own accord.

**President:** Order, order, honourable member has no right to answer that question.

*Thondankulangara-Ariad Munrolight road*

61. ***Mr. Kochickal P. Balakrishnan Tampi** (*Karunagapalli, Kartikapalli and Ambalapuzha* cum *Shertala*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) when the construction of the Thondankulangara-Ariad Munrolight road, Ambalapuzha taluk, was sanctioned;

(*b*) when the work was ordered by the Government to be taken in hand;

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